

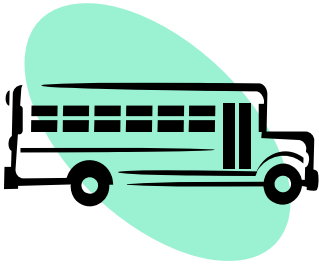
ARTICLE 45: Elderly Local School Tax Credit (By Petition)



Shall the Town vote not to adopt an Elderly Local School Tax Credit from property tax in the Town of Amherst. This credit shall represent a twenty-five percent (25%) reduction on the Local School Rate portion of the annual tax assessment per year, for qualified taxpayers to be as follows: For a person 65 years of age and up to qualify a person must have paid property taxes to the Town of Amherst for five (5) years or more directly preceding date of application, own real estate, individually or jointly, and resided at the real estate within the Town of Amherst for at least five (5) years, citizen must continue to own, individually or jointly, and reside at the real estate in which the credit is applied. This credit is only applicable to one property per year per citizen and only one credit per year per property shall apply.

At the Deliberative Session it was the opinion of Town Counsel that this article was contrary to existing state law, and therefore illegal. A motion was passed to insert the word “not” after the word “vote” in the first line to reduce the chance of legal action against the Town should this petitioned article pass. In the opinion of Town counsel, whether the amended article passes or not, the result will be the same; the Town will not pursue an Elderly Local School Tax Credit.

ARTICLE 46: Creation of a Transportation System for Town Residents Unable to Drive Themselves to Necessary Appointments (By Petition)



To see if the Town of Amherst will in partnership with the Town of Milford establish a commission of interested community members and neighboring towns to develop and propose a plan for providing reliable, affordable, handicapped accessible transportation to town residents unable to drive themselves to necessary appointments.

This article was debated and modified at the Deliberative Session by the voters into the language above.